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MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Assistant to the Director  
for Planning and Development

SUBJECT :

[REDACTED]

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1. While [REDACTED] and myself had only intermittent and unfortunately brief periods when we could discuss the problem mentioned to him earlier this week, I believe that he and I have come to agreement as to a recommendation to you. [REDACTED] did, incidentally, have an opportunity to meet and have a brief talk with [REDACTED] I feel that [REDACTED] would report to you as follows:

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2. He would expect to find this an extremely interesting and challenging problem and is more optimistic than pessimistic about his ability to be of some help. He does not know the extent to which he could be of help in major matters and would prefer not to either limit or extend his attempts to help to routine detailed matters.

3. [REDACTED] suggested that after the proper security arrangements have been made that he return to Washington for a period of 2 - 4 weeks during which time he would discuss these matters with appropriate people and attempt to assess how research and development is carried on in perhaps one or two major organizational components. Following this he might be able to recommend to you that certain major changes might be desirable or that he did not feel that further work by himself would be worthwhile or that a more major effort appeared to be in order.

4. This might be called a sort of pilot study during which our mutual acquaintance with him could be expanded and you would have evidence on which to base a decision as to whether a longer study in either breadth and/or depth would be desirable.

5. [REDACTED] has secured approval from both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] for this initial activity which might best be carried

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on without formal contractual financial arrangements. [ ] has been 25X1  
instructed that we will be in touch with him either by phone or personal  
visit sometime after the first of the year.

6. One last item -- [ ] would like to discuss with you at some- 25X1  
time in the future the desirability of a mechanism for the setting up of  
a direct linkage between yourself and certain people within [ ] 25X1  
[ ] in order that they might be of help to you as appropriate in  
your activities.



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